



HOGS & PIGS

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Kansas Inventory Up 3 Percent

The December 1 inventory for **hogs and pigs** on Kansas farms totaled 1.84 million head, up 3 percent from December 1, 2005 but 4 percent below September 1, 2006.

Hogs and pigs kept for breeding purposes totaled 170,000 head, up 6 percent from last year and up 3 percent from September 1, 2006. Breeding stock accounted for 9.2 percent of all hogs and pigs. Market hogs accounted for the remaining 90.8 percent of the total inventory, at 1.67 million head. Market hog inventory was 2 percent above December 1, 2005, but 4 percent below September 1, 2006. Market hogs weighing less than 60 pounds totaled 560,000 head, down 2 percent from a year ago. The 60-119 pound weight group, at 310,000 head, was down 2 percent from 2005. The 120-179 pound weight group totaled 325,000 head, up 3 percent from a year ago. The 180 pound and over weight group, at 475,000 head, was up 10 percent from a year ago.

June-November Pig Crop

The June-November pig crop totaled 1,518,000 head, 4 percent above a year ago. Sows farrowing during this period, at 172,000 head, were 3 percent above a year ago with an average litter rate of 8.83. June-August farrowings of 85,000 sows were 2 percent above a year ago with an average of 8.80 pigs per litter. Farrowings during September-November totaled 87,000 sows, a 4 percent increase from the previous year with a litter rate of 8.85 pigs.

Farrowing Intentions

Kansas farmers intend to farrow 88,000 sows in the December-February quarter, up 5 percent from the preceding year. For the March-May quarter, expected farrowings are estimated at 89,000 sows, up 9 percent from last year.

Hogs and Pigs Inventory, December 1, Seventeen Major States

State	2005	2006	2006 % of 2005	State	2005	2006	2006 % of 2005
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent
Colorado	850	830	98	Ohio	1,560	1,680	108
Illinois	4,000	4,200	105	Oklahoma	2,370	2,330	98
Indiana	3,250	3,300	102	Pennsylvania	1,100	1,070	97
Iowa	16,600	17,200	104	S.Dakota	1,490	1,330	89
KANSAS	1,790	1,840	103	Texas	930	930	100
Michigan	960	1,000	104	Virginia	490	360	73
Minnesota	6,600	6,800	103	Wisconsin	430	440	102
Missouri	2,700	2,750	102				
Nebraska	2,850	3,000	105	United States	61,449	62,149	101
N.Carolina	9,800	9,500	97				

U.S. Inventory Up Slightly

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2006, was 62.1 million head. This was up 1 percent from December 1, 2005, but down 1 percent from September 1, 2006. Breeding inventory, at 6.09 million head, was up 1 percent from last year and up slightly from last quarter. Market hog inventory, at 56.1 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, but 1 percent below last quarter.

2006 Pig Crop

The September-November 2006 **U.S.** pig crop, at 26.6 million head, was up 1 percent from 2005 and up 3 percent from 2004. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.91 million head, up slightly from 2005 and up 1 percent from 2004. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.13 for the September-November 2006 period, compared to 9.03 pigs last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

Farrowing Intentions

U.S. producers intend to have 2.90 million sows farrow during the December 2006-February 2007 quarter, 2 percent above the actual farrowings during the same period in both 2006 and 2005. Intended farrowings for March-May 2007, at 2.93 million sows, are up 1 percent from 2006, and up 2 percent from the same period in 2005.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for March 2005 through September 2006 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. Based on the findings of this review, a small adjustment of less than one-half of one percent was made to the June 2006 total inventory and September 2006 total inventory, along with an adjustment of slightly larger than one-half of one percent to the March-May 2006 pig crop.

Farrowings Intentions: Number of Sows, 2006-2007 1/

Period	Kansas			United States		
	2006 Number (000)	2007		2006 Number (000)	2007	
		Number (000)	% of 2006		Number (000)	% of 2006
Dec. <u>2</u> /-Feb.	84	88	105	2,840	2,902	102
March-May	82	89	109	2,916	2,932	101
December-May	166	177	107	5,756	5,834	101

1/ May not add due to rounding. 2/ December preceding year.

**Hogs and Pigs: Number on Farms, Sows Farrowing and Pig Crop
Kansas and U.S., 2005-2006**

Item	Kansas			United States		
	2005 Number (000)	2006		2005 Number (000)	2006	
		Number (000)	% of 2005		Number (000)	% of 2005
No. on farms Dec. 1						
All hogs and pigs	1,790	1,840	103	61,449	62,149	101
Kept for breeding	160	170	106	6,011	6,088	101
Market	1,630	1,670	102	55,438	56,061	101
Under 60 pounds	570	560	98	20,055	20,334	101
60-119 pounds	315	310	98	13,524	13,603	101
120-179 pounds	315	325	103	11,293	11,544	102
180 pounds & over	430	475	110	10,567	10,580	100
Sows Farrowing						
December <u>1</u> /-February	80	84	105	2,835	2,840	100
March-May	83	82	99	2,882	2,916	101
December-May <u>2</u> /	163	166	102	5,716	5,756	101
June-August	83	85	102	2,918	2,924	100
September-November	84	87	104	2,900	2,909	100
June-November <u>2</u> /	167	172	103	5,818	5,834	100
Pig Crop						
December <u>1</u> /-February	696	743	107	25,343	25,661	101
March-May	730	746	102	25,986	26,480	102
December-May <u>2</u> /	1,426	1,489	104	51,330	52,141	102
June-August	730	748	102	26,449	26,731	101
September-November	731	770	105	26,187	26,551	101
June-November <u>2</u> /	1,461	1,518	104	52,635	53,282	101
Annual Total	2,887	3,007	104	103,965	105,423	101
Pigs per Litter						
December <u>1</u> /-February	8.70	8.85	102	8.94	9.03	101
March-May	8.80	9.10	103	9.02	9.08	101
December-May	8.75	8.97	103	8.98	9.06	101
June-August	8.80	8.80	100	9.06	9.14	101
September-November	8.70	8.85	102	9.03	9.13	101
June-November	8.75	8.83	101	9.05	9.13	101

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